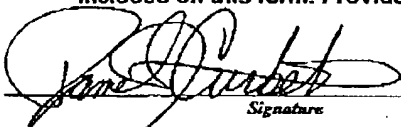
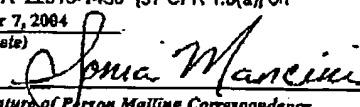


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)				Docket No. 158387-1	
In Re Application Of: John D. Winter, et al.					
Application No. 09/781,150	Filing Date February 13, 2001	Examiner R. Popovics	Customer No. 23413	Group Art Unit 1724	Confirmation No. 9106
Invention: SYSTEM FOR WITHDRAWING AND DEWATERING SLAG FROM A GASIFICATION EQUIPMENT					
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:					
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>May 26, 2004</u> above-identified application. Date					
The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):					
<input type="checkbox"/> One month <input type="checkbox"/> Two months <input type="checkbox"/> Three months <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Four months <input type="checkbox"/> Five months					
from: <u>June 26, 2004</u> until: <u>October 26, 2004</u> Date Date					
The fee for the extension of time is \$1,530 and is to be paid as follows:					
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1130					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 06-1130					
<input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.					
WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.					
 _____ Signature Pamela J. Curbelo Registration No. 34,676 Customer No. 23413 (860) 286-2829			Dated: October 7, 2004		
CC:			<div style="font-size: x-small;">I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.8(a)] on</div> <div style="text-align: center;">October 7, 2004 (Date)</div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Sonia Mancini VIA FACSIMILE Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</div>		